## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION AS

: DOCKET NO. 4725

ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE FILED

BY RODERICK G. AMES & IRENE M. AMES –

**NEW GENERATION** 

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## **ORDER**

WHEREAS, On September 1, 2017, Roderick G. Ames and Irene M. Ames<sup>1</sup> (Owner) filed with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) an application seeking certification for its IRA Rentals Solar Generation Unit, a 0.037 MW solar energy Generation Unit located in Newport, Vermont, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource in accordance with the PUC's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard (RES Regulations) and R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 6.0 and other relevant Sections of the RES Regulations, a thirty (30) day period for public comment was provided during which time no such comments were received; and

WHEREAS, On October 4, 2017 supplemental and clarifying information was provided to PUC Staff and their application review consultant in response to the application review consultant's October 4, 2017 request for said information; and

WHEREAS, Said supplemental and clarifying information included: clarification regarding the grid connected status of the facility; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The authorized representative was identified as Rod Ames, 468 Pleasant Street Newport, VT 05855; Phone: (802) 334-6614 Email: rod@ames-electric.com.

WHEREAS, After examination, the PUC is of the opinion that the application, including said supplemental information, is proper, reasonable, and in compliance with the RES Regulations and hereby grants the Owner certification as an eligible renewable energy resource pursuant to R. I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1; and

WHEREAS, The PUC's determination in this docket is based on the information submitted by the Owner and the PUC may reverse its ruling or revoke the Owner's certification if any material information provided by the Owner proves to be false or misleading.

Accordingly, it is

(22911) ORDERED:

- 1) The IRA Rentals Solar Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as a New, Solar Renewable Energy Resource with its 0.037 MW, Grid-Connected Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date of July 17, 2013 and located within the NEPOOL control area in Newport, Vermont.
  - 2) The Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Identification Number is NON38106.
- 3) The Owner's Generation Unit as identified above is hereby assigned unique certification number RI-4725-N17.
- 4) The facility's Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) become Rhode Islandeligible effective on the day the Rhode Island certification number is issued. All RECs associated with the production of eligible energy that are minted on or after the Effective Date are eligible for the RES.
- 5) Although the PUC will rely upon the NEPOOL GIS for verification of production of energy from the Owner's Generation Unit certified as eligible in this Order,

the Owner will provide information and access as necessary to the PUC, or persons acting at its behest, to conduct audits or site visits to assist in verification of continued eligibility for and compliance with Rhode Island RES Certification at any time at the PUC's discretion.

6) The Owner shall notify the PUC in the event of a change in the facility's eligibility status.

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON OCTOBER 13, 2017
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED
OCTOBER 16, 2017.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



Margaret E. Curran, Chairperson

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**NOTICE OF RIGHT OF APPEAL:** Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-5-1, any person aggrieved by a decision or order of the PUC may, within seven days (7) from the date of the order, petition the Supreme Court for a Writ of Certiorari to review the legality and reasonableness of the decision or order.